

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



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Entitled: OPERATING CIRCUIT FOR GAS DISCHARGE LAMP

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Art Unit: 2502

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AMENDMENT A

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Applicant provides the following response to Examiner's
Office Action dated 02/09/95.

IN THE CLAIMS

Some of the claims have been amended and independent claim
38 has been added.

All the pending claims, as currently amended, are provided
by the attached document entitled AMENDED CLAIMS in Serial No.
08/227,999.

REMARKS

Examiner rejected claims 22-23 and 25-26 under 35 USC 103
as being unpatentable over Stevens.

Applicant traverses these rejections for the following
reasons.

(a) Exemplary claim 22 includes:

"a source functional to provide an AC voltage between
a first and a second source terminal; there being substantially
no galvanic connection between the first source terminal and
earth ground; there being substantial galvanic connection between
the second source terminal and earth ground".